What is claimed is:

- 1 A semiconductor light emitting device, comprising:
- a semiconductor layered portion having a light 5 emitting layer forming portion;
  - a conductive substrate; and
  - a metal layer for adhering said semiconductor layered portion to said conductive substrate,
- wherein said metal layer includes at least a

  10 first metal layer for making ohmic contact with said
  semiconductor layered portion, a second metal layer
  essentially consisted of Ag, and a third metal layer
  made of a metal which allows to adhere to said
  conductive substrate and said semiconductor layered

  15 portion at a low temperature.
  - 2 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 1, wherein said first metal layer is partially removed so as to form a missing portion.
- 3 The semiconductor light emitting device 20 according to claim 2, wherein said missing portion occupies 50% or less of a surface area of said semiconductor layered portion.
- 4 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 2, wherein a protective film is 25 provided in said missing portion, said protection film being a film for preventing the Ag in said second metal layer from diffusing into said semiconductor layered

portion, and for transmitting light emitted in said light emitting layer forming portion.

5 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 4, wherein said protective film is made of  $SiO_2$  or  $Al_2O_3$ .

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- 6 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 1, wherein Ag is added to said first metal layer.
- 7 The semiconductor light emitting device 10 according to claim 1, wherein said second metal layer contains at least either Zn or Au at 10 atomic % or less, and comprises Ag at 90 atomic % or greater.
  - 8 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 1, wherein said second metal layer is formed to have a thickness of from 0.1 to 0.5 µm.
  - 9 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 1, wherein said third metal layer comprises at least one selected from a group of In, In-Zn alloy, and Sn-Zn alloy.
- 20 The semiconductor light emitting device according to claim 1, wherein said conductive substrate is formed of a semiconductor substrate, and a fourth metal layer for making an ohmic contact with said semiconductor substrate is provided on a side of said 25 metal layer, said side being contact with said semiconductor substrate.
  - 11 The semiconductor light emitting device

according to claim 10, wherein said fourth metal layer is made of at least one selected from a group of an Au-Zn alloy, an Au-Be alloy, and an Au-Ge alloy.